

**2025 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 161 POLITICS SURVEY  
FINAL QUESTIONNAIRE  
JAN. 27 – FEB. 2, 2025**

**Note:** The questions presented below are part of a larger survey conducted on the American Trends Panel. For all questions, the 98 ("Don't know" in phone mode) and 99 ("Refusal" in phone mode and "No answer" in web mode) codes are combined in the data for analytical purposes.

**PN = Programming note**

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**\*CODEBOOK FOR SAMPLE VARIABLES TO BE USED IN SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC\***

**X\_FORM**

- 1 Form 1
- 2 Form 2

Note: Flag to randomly assign panelists to one of two forms (Form 1, Form 2) and weight within form

**X\_PARTYSUMFINAL**

- 1 Rep/Lean Rep
- 2 Dem/Lean Dem
- 9 DK/Refused/No lean

Note: Flag to identify republicans, republican leaners and non-leaners.

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**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

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**QUE: EXCPWER**

**ASK IF FORM 1 (X\_FORM=1):**

Which of the following statements comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

[ **PN: IF CATI:** ] **(READ LIST)**

- 1 Many of the country's problems could be dealt with more effectively if U.S. presidents didn't have to worry so much about Congress or the courts
  - 2 It would be too risky to give U.S. presidents more power to deal directly with many of the country's problems
  - 98 [ **PN: IF CATI:** ] **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know
  - 99 [ **PN: IF CATI:** ] **(DO NOT READ)** Refused / [ **PN: IF WEB:** ] Web blank
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**QUE: EXCPWER\_NAME**

**ASK IF FORM 2 (X\_FORM=2):**

Which of the following statements comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

[ **PN: IF CATI:** ] **(READ LIST)**

- 1 Many of the country's problems could be dealt with more effectively if Donald Trump didn't have to worry so much about Congress or the courts
  - 2 It would be too risky to give Donald Trump more power to deal directly with many of the country's problems
  - 98 [ **PN: IF CATI:** ] **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know
  - 99 [ **PN: IF CATI:** ] **(DO NOT READ)** Refused / [ **PN: IF WEB:** ] Web blank
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